

## PINELLAS RESIDENTS INVITED TO JOIN OTHER TAMPA BAY COMMUNITIES FOR A COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT

To better understand and address the health needs of communities in the Tampa Bay area, the Florida Department of Health in Hillsborough, Pasco, Pinellas and Polk counties and local area hospitals are partnering on a comprehensive survey.

The 2019 Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) surveys residents on nutrition, physical activity, access to care and mental health. To take the survey, visit <a href="http://bit.ly/healthsurvey2019">http://bit.ly/healthsurvey2019</a> before May 1.

Survey partners include: Advent Health, BayCare, Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital, Lakeland Regional Health, Moffitt Cancer Center, Tampa General Hospital and other area health organizations in the four-county area. Although county health departments developed their own surveys in the past, this is an opportunity for counties in the region to work together on a more comprehensive regional survey.

Data collected from the CHNA survey will help local health departments and healthcare providers better understand the needs of the community. The survey will be used to develop a community health improvement plan, which will address the issues residents are most concerned about.

For information on past community surveys with Pinellas data from 2012 to 2018, visit <a href="http://pinellas.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/community-health-planning-andstatistics/data-and-reports/index.html">http://pinellas.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/community-health-planning-andstatistics/data-and-reports/index.html</a>.